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Remarks

The undersigned thanks Examiner Novosad for reviewing the present application and indicating allowable subject matter.

In the Office Action, the Examiner examined claims 13-16, 22, 23 and 25 on the merits, rejected claim 22 under 35 U.S.C. §112, rejected claims 13, 22, 23 and 25 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), and indicated that claims 14-16 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Upon entry of the present amendment and response, claims 13-16, 22, 23 and 25 are pending, claims 13, 15, and 16 are amended to incorporate the subject matter indicated by the Examiner as allowable into the limitations of the corresponding base claim and any intervening claims, claim 22 is amended to overcome the rejection based on 35 U.S.C. §112, and claims 1-12, 14, 17-21 and 24 are or have been cancelled to place the present application in a condition for allowance. Based on the above amendments, the undersigned is of the opinion that all pending claims are in condition for allowance, and respectfully requests that the Examiner issue a notice of allowance.

No fees are believed due at this time. To the extent that belief is incorrect, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 11-0855. If the Examiner believes that there are any issues

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that can be resolved via a telephone conference, or that any informalities can be corrected by an Examiner's amendment, please call Michael Bertelson at 404.815.6291.

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